



# Memorandum

**TO:** MAYOR REED

**FROM:** Councilmember Pierluigi Oliverio

**SUBJECT:** BUDGET DOCUMENT

**DATE:** May 19, 2008

Approved

Date

5/19/08

## RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

## BACKGROUND

### **City-Council Initiated Neighborhood Improvement Reserve Fund/Other Budget Proposals**

Program/Project Title: Proposed Fire House 37

Amount of City Funding Required: \$800, 000

Fund Type: Public Safety Capital Program

Anticipated Outcomes: Requested funding changes would affect benefits or services for San José residents, businesses, community groups, etc., as described below: (Use as much space as required.)

I do not support selling Fire House 6. Fire House 6 was not included in the original Strategic Plan that was presented to the council for the Public Safety Bond funding, nor does response the data from San Jose Fire Department Management support closing Fire House 6. In fact, the data currently shows that response times in the area (that is currently served by Fire House 6) would be compromised in the Fire House was closed.

San Jose's population is increasing. District 6 (alone) is home to over 100, 000 residents, has 8 senior living facilities with one of the highest populations of people over the age of 65. District 6 has 2000 units (within the radius of Fire House 6) in the process of being built and more residential development planned for the next decade.

Land is not cheap. One of the reasons that we are asking the voters for permission to use park land for a fire station is that the City of San Jose does not have enough bond funding to purchase land. Thus, keeping Fire House 6 is the financially prudent thing to do so that we do not close a station that was never intended to be closed only to have to seek another bond at a later date to open more fire houses.

I request that the Administration go back and prepare the cost for the proposed Fire House 37 without including the sell of Fire House 6.

## Funding Source

Program/Project Title: Public Safety Capital Program

Amount of City Funding Change: \$800,000

Fund Type: None

Anticipated Outcomes: Requested funding changes would affect benefits or services for San José residents, businesses, community groups, etc., as described below: (Use as much space as required.)

Department or Organization: None

Department or Organization Contact (Please list contact information for the individual that certified cost estimates contained within your recommendation.)

Name: None

Phone number: None

E-mail address: None

This change is: **One-time**

The City Service Area to which the change best relates:

- ☐ Community and Economic Development Services
- ☐ Environmental and Utility Services
- Neighborhood Services
- X Public Safety**
- Transportation and Aviation Services
- ☐ Strategic Support